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8. REGULATIONS AND ADVISORIES

The international, national, and state regulations and guidelines regarding malathion in air, water, and other media are summarized in Table 8-1.

ATSDR has derived an acute inhalation MRL of 0.2 mg/m³ for malathion based on a NOAEL of 65 mg/m³ for inhibition of erythrocyte cholinesterase activity in rabbits (Weeks et al. 1977). The LOAEL was 123 mg/m³. An uncertainty factor of 100 was used (10 for animal to human extrapolation and 10 for the protection of sensitive human groups).

ATSDR has derived an intermediate inhalation MRL of 0.02 mg/m³ for malathion based on a LOAEL of 100 mg/m³ for upper respiratory tract effects in rats (Beattie 1994). An uncertainty factor or 1000 was used (10 for animal to human extrapolation, 10 for the use of a LOAEL, and 10 for the protection of sensitive human groups).

ATSDR has derived an intermediate oral MRL of 2x10⁻² mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL of 0.23 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in humans (Moeller and Rider 1962). The LOAEL was 0.34 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 10 was used for the protection of sensitive human groups.

ATSDR has derived a chronic oral MRL of $2x10^{-2}$ mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL of 2 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in male rats administered malathion in the diet for 2 years (Daly 1996a). The LOAEL was 29 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 100 was used (10 for extrapolation from animal to humans and 10 for the protection of sensitive populations).

EPA (IRIS 2001) has derived an RfD of 2x10⁻² mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL 0.23 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in humans (Moeller and Rider 1962). The LOAEL was 0.34 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 10 was used for the protection of sensitive human groups.

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion

Agency	Description	Information	References
INTERNATIONAL			
Guidelines:			
IARC	Carcinogenicity classification	Group 3ª	IARC 2001
<u>NATIONAL</u>			
Regulations and Guidelines:			
a. Air			
ACGIH	TLV-TWA ^b	10 mg/m³	ACGIH 2000
NIOSH	REL (TWA) IDLH	10 mg/m³ 250 mg/m³	NIOSH 2001
OSHA	PEL (8-hour TWA) General industry (total dust)	15 mg/m³	OSHA 2001a 29CFR1910.1000 Table Z-1
	PEL (8-hour TWA) Construction industry (total dust)	15 mg/m³	OSHA 2001b 29CFR1926.55 Appendix A
	PEL (8-hour TWA) Shipyard industry (total dust)	15 mg/m³	OSHA 2001c 29CFR1915.1000 Table Z
b. Water			
DOT	Marine pollutant		DOT 2001a 49CFR172.101 Appendix B
EPA	Drinking water guideline	200 μg/L	HSDB 2001
	Health advisories 1 Day (10-kg child) 10 Day (10-kg child) DWEL Lifetime	0.2 mg/L 0.2 mg/L 0.7 mg/L 0.1 mg/L	EPA 2000c
	Pesticide chemicals—effluent limitations for BPT		EPA 2001a 40CFR455.20(b)
	Water programs—designation of hazardous substance		EPA 2001b 40CFR116.4
	Water programs—determination of reportable quantity Reportable quantity	100 pounds	EPA 2001c 40CFR117.3

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
NATIONAL (cont.)			
c. Food			
EPA	Methyl eugenol combination —pesticides, residue tolerances, agricultural commodities Ratio of parts of methyl eugenol to technical malathion is 3:1 Eugenol and malathion maximum dosage per application per acre	28.35 g methyl eugenol and 9.45 g malathion	EPA 2001d 40CFR180.1067
	Pesticides—where residues from two or more chemicals in the same class are present in or on a raw agricultural commodity, the tolerance for the total of such residues shall be the same as that for the chemical having the lowest numerical tolerance in this class, unless a higher tolerance level is provided		EPA 2001e 40CFR180.3(e)(5)
	Pesticides—tolerances for residues (ppm) Alfalfa Almond hulls Almonds Almonds, shells Apples Apricots Asparagus Avocados Barley (grain) Beans Beets (tops) Beets (sugar, roots) Beets (sugar tops) Birdsfoot trefoil (forage and hay) Blackberries Blueberries Boysenberries Carrots Cattle (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Chayote (fruit and roots) Cherries Chestnuts Clover Corn, forage Corn, fresh (including sweet) Corn, grain Cottonseed Cowpea (forage and hay) Cranberries Cucumbers Currants Dates Dewberries Eggolants	135 50 8 50 8 8 8 8 8 8 1 135 8 8 8 8 1 135 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	EPA 2001f 40CFR180.111
	Corn, forage Corn, fresh (including sweet) Corn, grain Cottonseed Cowpea (forage and hay) Cranberries Cucumbers Currants Dates	8 2 8 2 135 8 8	

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
NATIONAL (cont.)			
EPA (cont.)	Pesticides—tolerances for residues (ppm) Figs Filberts Flax seed Flax straw Garlic Goats (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Gooseberries Grapefruit Grapes Grass (including hay) Guavas Hogs (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Hops Horseradish Horses (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Kumquats Leeks Lemons Lentils Lespedeza (hay and straw) Lespedeza (seed) Limes Loganberries Lupine (seed) Macadamia nuts Mangos Melons Milk, fat (from application to dairy cows) Mushrooms Nectarines Oats (grain) Okra Onions (including green tops) Oranges Papayas Parsnips Passion fruit Peaches Peanut (forage and hay) Peanuts Pears Peas Peas Peavine (including hay) Pecans Peppermint Peppers	8 1 0.1 1 8 4 8 8 8 135 8 4 1 8 8 8 8 135 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	EPA 2001f 40CFR180.111
	Pineapples Plums Potatoes	8 8 8	
	Poultry (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Prunes	4 8	
	Pumpkins Quinces	8 8	

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
NATIONAL (cont.)			
EPA (cont.)	Pesticides—tolerances for residues (ppm) Radishes Raspberries Rice (grain and wild) Rutabagas Rye (grain) Safflower (seed) Salsify (including tops) Shallots Sheep (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Sorghum (forage and grain) Soybeans (dry and succulent) Soybeans (forage and hay) Spearmint Squash (summer and winter) Strawberries Sunflower seeds Sweet potatoes Tangerines Tomatoes Turnips (including tops) Vegetables (leafy, including Brassica) Vetch (hay and straw) Vetch (seed) Walnuts Wheat (grain)	8 8 8 8 0.2 8 8 4 8 8 135 8 8 8 135 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	EPA 2001f 40CFR180.111
USDA	Agriculture—labeling of treated seed shall not be deemed harmful when present at a rate less than indicated	8 ppm	USDA 2001 7CFR201.31a
d. Other			
ACGIH	BEI—organophosphorus cholinesterase inhibitors (cholinesterase activity in red cells)	70% of individual's baseline	ACGIH 1999
	Carcinogenicity classification	A4 ^c	ACGIH 2000
DOT	Superfund—reportable quantity	100 pounds	DOT 2001b 49CFR172.101 Appendix A
EPA	RfD	2x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day	IRIS 2001
	NPDES—permit application testing requirements; toxic pollutants and hazardous substances required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present		EPA 2001g 40CFR122 Appendix D Table V
	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		EPA 2001h 40CFR265 Appendix VI

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
NATIONAL (cont.)			
EPA	Superfund—reportable quantity	10 pounds	EPA 2001i 40CFR302.4
	Toxic chemical release reporting; Community Right-to-Know —effective date	01/01/95	EPA 2001j 40CFR372.65
<u>STATE</u>			
Regulations and Guidelines:			
a. Air			
Alaska	Air contaminant standard Total dust Respirable fraction	10 mg/m³ 5 mg/m³	BNA 2001
California	Airborne contaminant		BNA 2001
Colorado	Standards applicable to surface water Human health based (water supply) Aquatic life based (chronic)	140 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Connecticut	HAP—hazard limiting value 8 Hours 30 Minutes	200 μg/m³ 1,000 μg/m³	BNA 2001
Hawaii	Air contaminant (PEL-TWA) Total dust	10 mg/m³	BNA 2001
Idaho	Toxic air pollutant OEL EL AAC	10 mg/m³ 6.67x10 ⁻¹ pounds/hour 0.5 mg/m³	BNA 2001
Illinois	Toxic air contaminant		BNA 2001
Kentucky	TAL Average time Significant levels	40 mg/m³ 8 hours 2.551x10 ⁻³ pounds/hour	BNA 2001
Michigan	Air contaminant (PEL-TWA) Total dust	15 mg/m³	BNA 2001
	Occupational air contaminant MAC	15 mg/m³	BNA 2001
Montana	Occupational air contaminant ^b	15 mg/m ³	BNA 2001
New Hampshire	Toxic air pollutant OEL	10 mg/m³	BNA 2001
New Jersey	Toxic air pollutant OEL Emissions	10 mg/m ³ 6.67x10 ⁻¹ pounds/hour	BNA 2001

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
STATE (cont.)			
New York	Dangerous air contaminant TLV ^b	15 mg/m³	BNA 2001
	Total dust Transitional limits (PEL) ^b Final rule limits (TWA) ^b	15 mg/m³ 10 mg/m³	BNA 2001
North Carolina	General industry standards Total dust	10 mg/m³	BNA 2001
Oregon	Air contaminant	10 mg/m³	BNA 2001
South Carolina	Toxic air emissions MAC	100 μg/m³	BNA 2001
Texas	TLV ^b	15 mg/m³	BNA 2001
Washington	Air contaminant (TWA) Total dust	10 mg/m ³	BNA 2001
	Toxic air pollutant ASIL (24-hour average)	33 μg/m³	BNA 2001
b. Water			
Alaska	Water quality standards—toxic substance		BNA 2001
Arizona	Drinking water guideline	140 μg/L	HSDB 2001
	Groundwater protection list		BNA 2001
California	Drinking water guideline	160 μg/L	HSDB 2001
Connecticut	Water pollution control—hazardous substance		BNA 2001
Delaware	Surface water quality standards—toxic		BNA 2001
	substance Fresh (chronic) Marine (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	
Florida	Drinking water guideline	140 μg/L	HSDB 2001
	Surface water quality criteria Potable water supply Shellfish propagation or harvesting Predominantly fresh waters	0.1 µg/L 0.1 µg/L 0.1 µg/L	BNA 2001
Georgia	Hazardous site response—groundwater criteria concentration	0.2 mg/L	BNA 2001
Hawaii	Water quality criteria Freshwater (chronic) Saltwater (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Kansas	Surface water quality criteria Aquatic life (chronic) Agriculture (livestock)	0.1 μg/L 100 μg/L	BNA 2001

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
STATE (cont.)			
Maine	Drinking water guideline	40 μg/L	HSDB 2001
	Private water systems Maximum exposure guideline Action level	0.04 mg/L 0.02 mg/L	BNA 2001
Massachusetts	Environmental toxicity values Freshwater (chronic) Marine (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Minnesota	Water quality standards Drinking water supply Groundwater Protection of aquatic life	200 μg/L 200 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Nebraska	Standards for water quality Aquatic life (chronic)	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
	Water quality standards for wetlands Aquatic life (chronic)	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Nevada	Standards for toxic materials applicable to designated waters Aquatic life	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
New Hampshire	Water quality criteria Fresh (chronic) Marine (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
New Jersey	Groundwater quality criteria PQL	200 μg/L 5 μg/L	BNA 2001
New York	Groundwater quality standards MAC	7.0 μg/L	BNA 2001
Ohio	Surface water quality standards Outside mixing zoning average	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Oklahoma	Surface water quality criteria Fish and wildlife propagation (chronic)	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Oregon	Water quality Fresh (chronic) Marine (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
South Dakota	Surface water—toxic pollutant		BNA 2001
Texas	Water quality Freshwater (chronic)	0.01 µg/L	BNA 2001
Utah	Water quality—hazardous substances required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present		BNA 2001
Virginia	Criteria for surface water Freshwater (chronic) Saltwater (chronic)	0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001
Wyoming	Water quality criteria Aquatic life (chronic)	0.1 μg/L	BNA 2001

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
STATE (cont.)			
c. Food		No data	
d. Other			
Alabama	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
Arizona	Soil remediation levels Residential Non-residential	1,300 mg/kg 14,000 mg/kg	BNA 2001
Arkansas	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
California	Chemicals required to have been tested for potential to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity, but which have not been adequately tested as required—data requirements	Oncogenicity	BNA 2001
	Hazardous substance		BNA 2001
	Pesticide field worker safety—restricted entry intervals Citrus Grapes Peaches/nectarines	1 day 1 day 1 day	BNA 2001
	Pesticide registration—active ingredients		BNA 2001
Colorado	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
Delaware	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
	Reportable quantity	100 pounds	BNA 2001
Florida	Toxic substance in the workplace		BNA 2001
Georgia	Hazardous site response—regulated substance		BNA 2001
Illinois	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
Louisiana	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
STATE (cont.)			
Maine	Identification of hazardous waste —hazardous constituent		BNA 2001
	Screening standards for beneficial use —waste concentration	2,000 mg/kg dry weight	BNA 2001
Massachusetts	Containers adequately labeled pursuant to federal law		BNA 2001
	Human health based toxicity values Chronic oral RfD	2.0x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day	BNA 2001
	Oil and hazardous material		BNA 2001
Michigan	Identification and listing of hazardous waste		BNA 2001
Minnesota	Toxic pollutant and hazardous substance		BNA 2001
Mississippi	Packaging dates for malathion	Must mark all retail containers with a code or batch number from which the date of packaging may be determined	BNA 2001
Nebraska	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
	Pesticide classes	Class III ^d	BNA 2001
New Jersey	Hazardous substance		BNA 2001
New York	Pesticide control—use of chemicals for the control or elimination of aquatic insects	Not to exceed 0.5 pounds/acre (active ingredient)	BNA 2001
	Reportable quantity Air Land/water	100 pounds 1 pound	BNA 2001
South Carolina	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
Tennessee	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
Texas	Risk-based exposure limits—soil dermal contact Gastrointestinal absorption factor Dermal absorption factor	5.00x10 ⁻¹ 1.00x10 ⁻¹	BNA 2001
Washington	Hazardous substance required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present		BNA 2001

Table 8-1. Regulations and Guidelines Applicable to Malathion (continued)

Agency	Description	Information	References
STATE (cont.)			_
	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001
West Virginia	Hazardous substance required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present		BNA 2001
West Virginia	RfD	2.00x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day	BNA 2001
Wyoming	Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 EC)		BNA 2001

^aGroup 3: not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans

AAC = acceptable ambient concentrations; ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists;
ASIL = acceptable source impact levels; BEI = biological exposure index; BNA = Bureau of National Affairs; BPT = best practical technology; CFR = Code of Federal Regulations; DOT = Department of Transportation; DWEL = drinking water equivalent level; EL = emissions level; EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; HAP = hazardous air pollutant; HSDB = Hazardous Substances Data Bank; IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer; IDLH = immediately dangerous to life and health; IRIS = Integrated Risk Information System; MAC = maximum allowable concentration; NIOSH = National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health; NPDES = National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; OEL = occupational exposure limit; OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PEL = permissible exposure limit; PQL = practical quantitation level; REL = recommended exposure limit; RfD = oral reference dose; TAL = threshold ambient limits; TLV = threshold limit value; TSD = treatment, storage, and disposal; TWA = time-weighted average; USDA = United States Department of Agriculture

^bSkin notation: danger of cutaneous absorption

[°]A4: not classifiable as a human carcinogen

^dClass III: oral LD₅₀ greater than 900 mg/kg⁻¹